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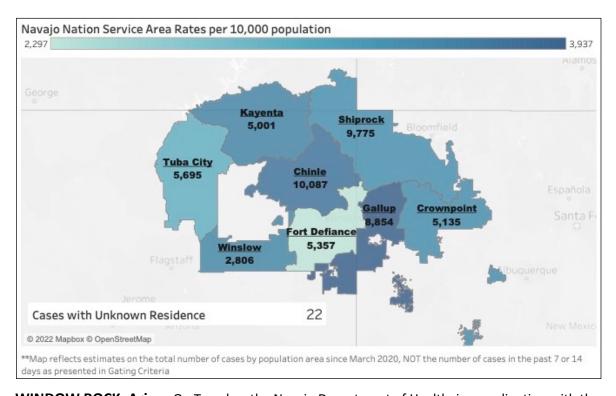
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## 8 new cases, 50,976 recoveries, and no deaths related to COVID-19 reported



**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** – On Tuesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported eight new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,657. The report indicates that 50,976 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 501,241 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 52,732, including 12 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

• Chinle Service Unit: 10,087

Crownpoint Service Unit: 5,135Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,357

Gallup Service Unit: 8,854

Kayenta Service Unit: 5,001

Shiprock Service Unit: 9,775
Tuba City Service Unit: 5,695
Winslow Service Unit: 2,806

\* 22 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Tuesday, the state of New Mexico reported 127 new cases and Utah reported 94 new cases. The state of Arizona now reports COVID-19 cases on a weekly basis, each Wednesday.

"COVID-19 case numbers remain low, but we must continue to keep our guard up especially in public places. The Navajo Nation's face mask mandate remains in place for everyone, including visitors, in public areas. We know how quickly the virus can spread among people, so please continue to be very cautious and practice safety measures. We are in this together and we must continue to support each other and all of our frontline warriors who continue to fight for us all," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities on the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"We are stronger together so please continue to show your love to your loved ones, especially your elders as we continue pushing forward through this pandemic. Please continue to be very cautious in public settings and practice the safety measures recommended by our public health experts," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: <a href="http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19">http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19</a>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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